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FORM C Text of Interview (Unedited)

NAME OF WORKER [?] R. Stewart ADDRESS Summer, Nebraska

DATE Oct. 10, 1938 SUBJECT [Rescued from Freezing?]

NAME AND ADDRESS OF INFORMANT [??] Eddyville, Nebraska

I met this man at a filling station and as I had not seen him for over twenty years I did not know him, and he says you don't remember the time I rescued you from freezing to death do you? I says "No, I don't. He went on and told me about it and I thought perhaps it might be of some benefit sometime to some one so will it as near as I can remember from what he told me.

It was in December in 1898, I believe and a bitter cold morning I was going to town on horseback and when I crossed the river I left the road on the account of the snow was not drifted in the field as bad as the road and was going along and all at once my horse shyed at a bunch of Russian thistles so looked and seen something under them, got off my horse and found a boy asleep. I tried to wake him to find out who he was and could not so I picked him up got on my horse and carried him to the closest farm house as I had no idea whose boy he was and it was your Dad's place where I took you and you was a sick in bed for several weeks after that. [?]

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I told him "I remember nothing of it or even hearing of it before." He says, "Its the truth and if my horse hadn't of shyed you would not be here today." (I have checked on this since he told me and find its the truth)

Verses from Autograph Album. "Judge not the Lord by feeble sense But trust him for his grace; Behind a frowning providence He hides a smiling face." "If a task is once begun, Never leave it till it's done; Be the labor great or small, Do it well or not at all." "Always be good to your father and mother For when they are gone You can't get another" "May your sky be bright and cloudless May your friends be ever true, May your lot in life be happy Is my earnest wish for you." "When you see a frog up a hollow tree, Pull his tail and think of me." "Way down in the toe of my shoe, When I am old I will remember you." "When you are married and live down by the lake; Just send me a piece of your wedding cake." "Your eyes are blue If your thoughts are true Your friends will always Think kindly of you." "Not like the rose May our friendship wither, But like the Evergreen Live forever." "Many here have written Many here may write But none is a truer friend Than the one who writes tonight." "I've looked these pages o'er and o'er To see what other wrote before, And in this little lonely spot. I'll here inscribe "For-get-me-not." "In going down the stream of life, In your little boat canoe, May you have a pleasant ride, With just room enough for two."